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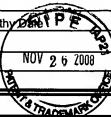
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☒ Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27

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Application Number 10/757833
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Examiner Name Paul, Disler
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1. BASIC FILING, SEARCH, AND EXAMINATION FEES

Application Type	FILING FEES		SEARCH FEES		EXAMINATION FEES		Fees Paid (\$)
	Fee (\$)	Small Entity Fee (\$)	Fee (\$)	Small Entity Fee (\$)	Fee (\$)	Small Entity Fee (\$)	
Utility	330	165	540	270	220	110	_____
Design	220	110	100	50	140	70	_____
Plant	220	110	330	165	170	85	_____
Reissue	330	165	540	270	650	325	_____
Provisional	220	110	0	0	0	0	_____

2. EXCESS CLAIM FEES

Fee Description	Fee (\$)	Small Entity Fee (\$)
Each claim over 20 (including Reissues)	52	26
Each independent claim over 3 (including Reissues)	220	110
Multiple dependent claims	390	195

Total Claims Extra Claims Fee (\$)

HP = highest number of total claims paid for, if greater than 20.

Indep. Claims Extra Claims Fee (\$)

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4. OTHER FEE(S)

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Attn: Examiner name, Patent Examiner Art Unit 2615

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Re: Office action of September 26, 2007 concerning:

- US Utility Patent application 10/757,833
- by Van Tassel, Timothy Dale
- filed on January 14, 2004
- for the "Electronic circuit with spring reverberation effect and improved output controllability"
- confirmation number 5505.

Disler Paul:

I enclose:

1. an amended claim section with marked up changes, and
2. A copy of the power of attorney filed with response of December 21, 2008

The power of attorney filed on December 21, 2007 (copy enclosed) is visible from the public PAIR system in the Image File Wrapper as page 2 of the power of attorney of December 21, 2007. Please be sure that the appropriate records are updated to reflect that I am now the attorney of record in this application.

Please enter the enclosed amendments to the subject application. Entering the amended claim section places this application in condition for allowance.

The objection to claim 29 is obviated by the entry of the enclosed claims section. Claim 29 is cancelled by the amendments presented in the enclosed amended claim section.

The rejection of Claims 22-23, 25, 27, and 29 under 35 USC 103(a) as being unpatentable over Scholz et al. (4,489,439), and Pravia (US 3,800,059) and Scholz et al. (4,627,094) is obviated by the amendments presented in the enclosed amended claim section. Claims 22-23, 25, 27, 31, and 29 are cancelled by the amendments presented in the enclosed amended claim section.

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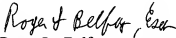
The rejection of Claim 31 under 35 USC 103(a) as being unpatentable over Scholz et al. (4,489,439), and Pravia (US 3,800,059) and Scholz et al. (4,627,094) was improper. Claim 31 was and remains dependant from claim 30. In a telephone interview on October 31, 2008 between Examiner Disler Paul myself it was agreed that because Claim 31 depends from claim 30 claim 31 should have the same status as claim 30, namely that it would be allowable if rewritten to include all the limitations of the base claim and any intervening claims. Claim 30 has been so rewritten and therefore claim now includes all the limitations of the base claim and any intervening claims.

The rejection of Claim 24 under 35 USC 103(a) as being unpatentable over Scholz et al. (4,489,439), and Pravia (US 3,800,059) and Scholz et al. (4,627,094) in further view of Bacon (US 2004/0190727) is obviated by the amendments presented in the enclosed amended claim section. Claim 24 is cancelled by the amendments presented in the enclosed amended claim section.

The rejection of Claim 32 under 35 USC 103(a) as being unpatentable over Scholz et al. (4,489,439), and Pravia (US 3,800,059) and Scholz et al. (4,627,094) in further view of Ellis et al. (4,158,813) is obviated by the amendments presented in the enclosed amended claim section. Claim 32 is cancelled by the amendments presented in the enclosed amended claim section.

Claims 31, 35, 38, and 40 have been amended to remove the "50k" limitation on the "linear potentiometer". Examiner Disler Paul and myself agreed that this limitation was not necessary to patentability of these claims based on knowledge of the prior art cited in this case. Therefore this limitation is being removed because it is an unnecessary limitation.

Sincerely,



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Enclosures:

1. Amended claim set
2. Copy of Power of attorney of December 21, 2007